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NRC Proposes \$7,000 Fine To New Jersey Company For Violations Of NRC Requirements

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has cited Mistras Group, Inc., of Princeton Junction, N.J., for two violations of NRC requirements and proposed a \$7,000 civil penalty.

During a review of Mistras' export records, the NRC found that in July of last year Mistras exported two iridium-192 sealed sources to a company in Canada, without obtaining a specific export license as required, and did not provide the export notifications to the NRC and the Canadian government in advance of the export of sources as required.

In March, the NRC notified Mistras of the apparent violations and offered the company the opportunity to provide additional information to the NRC. In April, the company provided a written response. After considering the response and the findings of the NRC review, the NRC has concluded that the violations are appropriately characterized as a Severity Level III problem. Level III is the second-least serious of the NRC's violation levels, though Level III violations are significant enough to warrant consideration of a civil penalty.

The company is not required to provide an additional response to the NRC because information regarding the reason for the violations, the corrective actions that have been or will be taken and the results achieved and the date when full compliance with NRC requirements will be achieved has already been provided to the NRC.

Mistras has 30 days to pay the proposed fine.